

Menon approach them, will pay without much reluctance Rs. 100 instead of one rupee. That was the influence and commanding personality that he had in tackling with persons who were averse to paying anything at all. During the tours that he had in connection with the collection for the war fund, probably it may be the exertion and the fatigue that is caused thereby that is responsible for his being suddenly taken away from our midst. It is my fervent prayer that his soul may rest in peace.

Mr. President: I wish to associate myself with the tribute that has been paid to the memory of the two gentlemen whose loss we mourn today. Of these two, I happened to know fairly intimately Mr. Kandir Menon, and I feel that I must take this opportunity of adding my own tribute to his memory. Mr. Kandir Menon, I thought always, was a splendid example of the opportunities that the people of Cochin had to render public service both in the official and the unofficial world. To the official hierarchy he came with the great experience that he gained at the bar and in public life and from the official hierarchy he retired not to go into oblivion to enjoy his pension, but again to place at the disposal of his countrymen the richer experience that he gained as an official. That was a very happy combination which people in the State will do well to emulate. When I had to think of some one to take up the responsibility of collecting the war funds, we could practically think of no one except Mr. Kandir Menon and the moment the request was made to him, he responded with the greatest sincerity. I had always known that whatever work Mr. Kandir Menon undertook, he took it seriously and sincerely, and I think he gave a proof of that in the magnificent services he rendered as Secretary of the War Fund. This State has been rendered poorer by the passing of two such distinguished public men as Mr. Krishna Menon and Mr. Kandir Menon, and I will ask the House to stand up and mark their approval of the condolence motions.

Motions carried nem con

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

1. The Cochin Hindu Law of Inheritance (Amendment) Bill

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar (Nemmara): Sir, I move that the Cochin Hindu Law of Inheritance (Amendment) Bill be taken up and finally passed.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon (Advocate-General): I second it.

Motion put and carried